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Craft time at Vacation Bible school

Over a hundred local children took part in the Vacation Bible School held last week at the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Abra Hartmann of Didsbury was just one of the children that took part in one of the craft sessions last Thursday.

This was one of the largest camps that the church has ever held, according to organizers.

The camp offered children a time to come and have fun while making crafts, playing games, and singing songs. The church offers the camp to the children and their parents free-of-charge, as it is run completely by volunteers who dedicate hundreds of hours of their own time.

NEGOTIATIONS

ATA looking for another wage hike

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Chinook's Edge School Division (CESD) and the local Alberta Teachers Association (ATA) local #17 are back at the bargaining table in attempts to get the ball rolling for a new contract.

The contract between the local ATA and CESD ends on August 31.

There are some fears that these negotiations could end up with teachers walking out of the classrooms in strike actions if they do not receive what they would like.

Back in 2001, during negotiations, Chinook's Edge and the ATA's attempts failed to sign a new contract and teachers ended up walking out of the classrooms for nearly three weeks.

"We are basically asking for everything that we were asking for before (in 2001)," Worsfold said.

Worsfold says that the local ATA are asking for classroom conditions to be improved throughout CESD, and once again will be going back to the bargaining table to ask for a higher wage.

The two parties have only met once so far, but are expected to start with more regular meetings in August.

After negotiations failed back in 2001 during the labour strike the Province stepped in and ordered teachers back to the classrooms and hired an arbitrator who handed down wage settlements. CESD received an arbitrated settlement of 14.1 per cent over two years.

Worsfold says that the local

County requesting quarterly reports from all municipalities, commissions

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Mountain View County administration are asking their council for support in an initiative that they believe will bring more accuracy to financial documents, and may prevent "financial crisis" from happening.

The letter which is ready to go out to all municipalities, commissions, and authorities which the County is either a member or funds, says that the County feels that if quarterly reports were submitted to the County, financial and operating difficulties like what happened at the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission (MVRWMC) may be prevented.

"The current financial and operating difficulties that the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission is encountering emphasizes the need for formalized and consistent reporting by authorities/commissions to the member municipalities who are receiving the service and providing the funding," Harold Johnsrude, the County's Commissioner said in a letter addressed to a number of organizations which they are members of or fund.

The MVRWMC have publicly said that they are approximately \$500,000 short in revenues to cover their general expenses for

the next three months.

The money was not embezzled, but rather the budgets were not watched as closely as they need to be and this mismanagement error occurred.

Since the error was caught the Commission's CAO, Larry Nault, is on paid sick leave, and Municipal Affairs have launched an investigation and appointed an interim CAO.

Lyle McKeller, the executive director of the Mountain View Regional Emergency Services, agrees and is in favour of submitting a quarterly report for his Commission.

"I think quarterly reports are a good idea," McKeller said. "It may prevent some problems if they were to occur."

Town Councillor, Clem Kuelker, who sits as the Town's representative of the MVRWMC believes that the type of error which occurred at the waste commission, would have never been caught through quarterly reporting to the County, or anyone else.

When asked if he is in favor of quarterly reporting he stated, "No, I don't think it would prevent something like what happened from occurring."

Kuelker says that at times it would also be difficult to submit financial information, as they may not be ready in time for every

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Westlane Farms earns Grand Championship, again

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Sarah and Stan Konschuh of Didsbury and owners of Westlane Farms are proud owners of their Blond cattle yet again, after winning the Grand Champion Female title at the 2003 Calgary Stampede.

Their Blonde cow, Westlane Silver Belle 2G, earned the title in the Breeders Herd and Get of Sire competition where the Konschuh's competed against a number of other breeders.

This isn't the first year that the Konschuh's have been successful at the Calgary Stampede with their winning cow, as they have been very successful in the past. She (Westlane Silver Belle 2G) has the temperament and conformation. She has had that since day one. I always thought she was good," said Sarah Konschuh. "She's just a sweetheart. We only started working the calf (at her side) a week before the Stampede show). Some are more natural, but Blondes are known for being easy going."

The easy going temperaments and easy handling techniques are what attracted the Konschuh's to the breed, aside from their meat being "some of best" according to Konschuh.

The Konschuh family first introduced a Blonde Bull into their Simmental/Charolais commercial herd over 20 years ago, and once their two sons began 4-H and got involved in the heifer program they started into purebreds as well.

Currently the Konschuh's herd runs about 120 head, with a very high percentage of their cattle being Blonde's.

The Konschuh's do not want to go solely into Blonde beef because they want to show breeders what kind of results they can expect if they cross breed with a Blonde Bull.

"Breeders can come out and see what to expect (if they cross breed)," Konschuh explained.

Blonde beef is known to be very lean, and the healthier choice for those concerned about their health - and even for those that want a good tasting meat, without all that excess fat. "Blonde beef is for the health conscious consumer as it is very lean," Konschuh said, adding that it still has adequate marble and still that delicious beef taste that everyone loves.

Konschuh wasn't wanting to "toot her own horn" when asked why she feels they have been so successful at the Calgary Stampede, and other shows, but feels it is because they work so hard at making their animals the best that they can be. "We take pride in our animals and we also strive to be the best we can be," she explained.

Over the past few years Westlane Farms have become heavily involved at marketing their own meat, which earned them a contract with MacKays Country Meats. Westlane farms sells directly from the farm gate to MacKays, who have taken Blonde beef as their exclusive beef product.

The Konschuh's will still sell half and quarters directly

from their farm, by calling 335-4368.

The Konschuh's are also very busy with other things, such as they are in the process of flushing for embryos to ship to Sweden, and a number of other very exciting projects.

"It's new for us and it opens another door," Konschuh said, adding that maximizing every dollar is paramount and certainly winning at the Stampede is more exposure at a world-renowned exhibition. "In this day and age you have to maximize your own exposure."

For the Konschuh's they will continue working hard at producing some of the best beef, while going to different shows to show the World their Blonde cattle. The next show that the Konschuh's will be taking part in will be at the Mountain View County Fair and Rodeo beginning August 8 in Olds. At this year's fair the Konschuh's will be competing in a World Show strictly for Blond cattle, a show which the Konschuh's are quite excited about.

For more information on Blonde beef and the Westlane farm operation check out www.westlanefarms.com on the Internet.

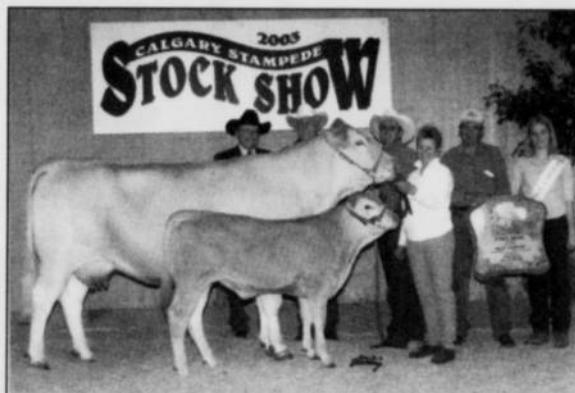


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Stan and Sarah Konschuh of Didsbury stand with their Grand Champion, Westlane Silver Belle 2G, and her calf, at the Calgary Stampede. The Konschuh's have earned a number of grand championships over the years at the Stampede.

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Driver lives to tell about horrific accident with semi-truck

The driver of this 1988 Plymouth lived to talk about his head-on collision with a semi-truck, July 21. The lone occupant of the eastbound car received minor injuries and totaled his car when the two vehicles collided on Highway 582, 4 km west of Didsbury at approximately 4:15 p.m. Didsbury's RCMP and Fire responded to the accident, Mountain View Regional Emergency Services transported the driver of the car to Didsbury Hospital. The driver of the westbound truck had no reported injuries. RCMP were not available for comment at press time, they continue to investigate for causes of the collision.

Prairies to Peaks starting promotion of local area

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Prairies to Peaks (P2P) Tourism Association, are working hard at trying to get themselves well established with all interested parties of the local tourism sector while at the same time trying to start promotion of the local area.

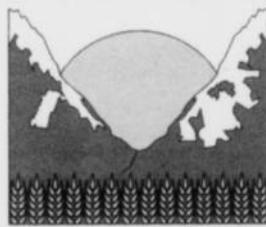
P2P is currently a non-profit organization set up to promote the entire region, to as far North as Bowden to as far south as Crossfield, as far East as Torrington, and as far West as the National Park boundaries.

The organization was instigated by the Town of Olds and their Chamber of Commerce who felt that if a regional tourism association was established then everyone's dollar would be maximized.

Kathleen Windsor, a Didsbury resident and chair of P2P, explained that at current everyone is promoting themselves independently and what P2P wants to do is promote the entire region all together, inviting tourists to visit all areas - not just one.

Essentially P2P wants to establish themselves to be a mirror image of Tourism Calgary. "But rather we would be promoting the P2P area," Windsor said. Windsor believes that this area is often "ignored" and that the P2P area has plenty to offer to tourists so we need to get out there and let the world know what we do have.

All municipalities are being encouraged to buy into P2P. To date the Town's of Olds and Bowden have, and Didsbury hasn't yet but Windsor says that the Town has basically given their word that they will be ready to sign on in the near future.



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union wouldn't be insisting on more money - again - if they would have received what they wanted back in 2001.

"They (CESD) had budgeted for \$800,000 more than the arbitrated settlement came out to be - so they had the money all along," Worsfold said. "The strike was completely unnecessary and could have been avoided."

During the labour strike last year the ATA and CESD both used the media to try to get their point across, a means they aren't turning to at this point in their negotiations.

"We have both agreed to not discuss negotiations with the media," Worsfold said.

CESD has announced that they are expecting to have 16 fewer teaching positions throughout the division come September, partly due to a decline in student enrolment, but primarily due to budget restraints. "As far as I am concerned this decision (to cut 16 teaching positions) is working totally against what we are trying to get," Worsfold said, adding that classroom conditions weren't improved last time and with 16 fewer teachers going into the 2003/2004 school year this adds to the burden even more.

According to CESD

Board Chair, Roy Brassard, he is hoping that past successes at negotiations with the ATA - aside from last year - will be successful this time. "We have normally been very successful at negotiations at a local level," Brassard said.

CESD would like to see a contract signed as soon as possible, as Brassard says they hate getting behind on contracts because it not only causes headaches for the teachers not

knowing what their wages are going to be, but trying to make budgets without knowing what their staffing costs are is extremely difficult.

"We really don't want to get behind on the contracts - it just makes it very difficult for everyone," Brassard said.

Brassard says that he is doubtful that Chinook's Edge will be able to offer their teachers much more than they are already receiving, as

funds are limited.

"We are very limited to the amount of money that we have," Brassard said. "To a degree it's always a balancing act."

Brassard says that the number of teaching positions which have been cut isn't significant, considering the size of the division.

"The number of teaching positions isn't significant when you take into consideration that we have 38 schools," Brassard said.

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quarter. An example Kuelker said, "Our first quarter documents still aren't ready because the auditors are still working on the financial information."

Tony Martens, the County's Assistant Commissioner, who spoke on behalf of Johnsruude who wasn't available prior to press time, says that the County would like to see quarterly reports just to ensure that everything is running smoothly.

"It will reduce the potential of anything seriously going wrong," Martens said. Kuelker says that the County has a representative on the Commission for a reason, and he should be providing updates to County council.

"Each member municipality has a representative on the Commission and (that rep) should make sure that he provides his municipality with the appropriate information and that it is done correctly," Kuelker said, stressing that it isn't the job of the Commission to be submitting quarterly reports.

This issue will come before County council this Wednesday, July 23, where County council will be asked to give approval to administration's request.

Aside from financial documents being submitted to the County on a quarterly basis they will also be asked for;

- Summary of key incidents and decisions made in the last quarter;
- Summary of future initiatives/issues that the Board will be dealing with;
- Statistical information regarding year-to-date activity may be provided in summary form but this information is optional.

Martens says that the County administration would like to see this information submitted after the next quarter ends (end of September).

"I recognize that this request will take a little extra work but this type of reporting is long overdue and is necessary information for County council," Johnsruude added in the conclusion of his letter.

The Town's of Didsbury, Sundre, Carstairs, and Olds will also be asked to submit quarterly reports, if this recommendation passes at County council on Wednesday.

The Town's Acting CAO, Robert Wigg said that he isn't prepared to make a comment on this issue, as he hasn't had time to review it.

Didsbury RCMP charge driver for drug possession

by Dan Singleton
for The Review

A man charged after Didsbury RCMP found about one kilogram of marijuana in a vehicle on July 5 will be back in court next month.

Shane Lawrence Franz of Ardmore, Alberta faces charges of possession of a controlled substance for the purpose of trafficking, possession of marijuana, mischief and theft.

He was scheduled to make his first court appearance on Monday. He appeared by agent and had the case adjourned until August 18 for plea.

Police searched a vehicle after receiving information during an interview with a suspect arrested for allegedly stealing a car battery, said Didsbury RCMP Const. C.R. Coyetche.



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CORRECTION

In last week's Didbury Review, the Town's Acting CAO, Robert Wigg, was attributed to making a comment which should have been attributed to another CAO of a different community.

The comment in the article, "Town applying for water meter grant," read, "Wigg says that after about 10 years a water meter no longer reads properly..."

Wigg says, that in fact water meters may work properly their entire lives and the reason the Town is applying for the grant is just to enhance technology and make it easier for the Town to read water meters.

OPINIONS EDITORIAL

Maybe now isn't the time for a raise...



**Shawne
Mohl**

Canada Post employees may have walked out onto the picket line by the time this newspaper hits the stands, while at the same time the local Alberta Teachers Association #17 are working with Chinook's Edge School Division to negotiate a new wage, while at the same time thousands of farmers throughout Canada are suffering from the effects of the Mad Cow disease, and other negative impacts that the agriculture industry pushes in their face.

And, the effects of Mad Cow aren't only having an impact on farmers, but also businesses that rely so heavily on the beef industry.

It is really too bad that it comes down to two of the country's largest industries threatening to go on strike if they don't receive the kind of pay hike that they think they deserve.

If everyone just took a step back and looked at the state that the Canadian economy is in right now, maybe it would sink in that we as Canadians are going through some rough times right now.

The Province has told school divisions - like Chinook's Edge - that funds are limited and they shouldn't hold their breath for anymore money.

Well, Chinook's Edge is going to have to hope for a windfall of cash from the Province as teachers contract expires at the end of August and they are asking for yet another raise. Now, teachers do work hard, did go to school for five years (or more), and do work long hours. But, aren't there many other industries that don't receive even half of what a teacher makes that work equally as hard?

And, as far as the Canada Post employees go - they also work hard, but I think sometimes we as Canadians need to stop being so greedy everytime a contract expires with an employer. We need to sometimes be content with what we are making, especially when we are making in excess of \$18 per hour (or more), like our fellow Canada Post employees and teachers.

When the agriculture industry is losing over \$10 million a day due to an "agriculture crisis" and when school divisions are forcing themselves into the red to pay our teachers - you would think that these professionals would understand that now isn't the time for a raise.

About Town...

A congratulations must go out to all of the Community Services and Operational staff at the Town for their dedication to the Memorial Park project. The park is starting to look great, and it won't be long before Didsburians are enjoying yet another great park.



TOWN OF DIDSBURY UPDATE *Town departments staying busy, like always*

by Brenda Hemming
and Rhonda Hunter

The Town of Didsbury has been quite busy, and we would like to provide you with an update of two of the departments.

Corporate Services (Director: Brenda Hemming):

The Town of Didsbury is offering payment of utility bills through direct debit starting with the August, 2003 billing.

Council will be meeting at 7:00PM every third Monday starting with the July 21, 2003 regular meeting.

Corporate Services Committee meetings have been moved to the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4:30 PM starting with the September 9, 2003 regular meeting.

Danielle King has joined our department to replace Nicole Aasen who is on maternity leave.

Community Services (Director: Rhonda Hunter):

The Didsbury Memorial Complex is undergoing the much anticipated landscaping of its south side. The Town of Didsbury received a grant from the Tire Recycling Management Association of Alberta in the form of \$20,000.00 worth of recycled rubber matting. To compliment the matting, shrub beds, flower beds, and picnic tables will be added to the area for an inviting and enjoyable leisure space for our community to enjoy!

Memorial Park construction is continuing with the ball diamonds and trail system next on the priority list. Both are planned to be

ready for use in spring of 2004!! The concert bowl will be ready for public use this year - watch for details and for information regarding how to book this exciting new facility.

The Didsbury Aquatic Centre has been a hub of activity with summer programming lessons underway. Swimming lessons, which include the annual Cremona Bus-to-Swim Program, and the Public swimming schedule are all being enjoyed to the max with this terrific weather that we are having! The Aquatic Centre staff are doing a Splashing Great Job of keeping our customers happy!

The Town of Didsbury is now taking bookings for the Train Station. For enquiries or bookings call our Customer Service Representatives at 335-7369

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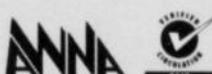
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FROM THE MAILBAG

Everyone has the right to their own opinion

Dear editor,

I am a supporter of same sex unions in the eyes of the law and all of the legal rights that are provided by this distinction. If the issue is left purely as one of equal rights, then there is no real source of debate.

However, since we are talking about individual rights, what about the right of the 2,384 people to express their opinion? Why are they branded as hypocrites and "homophobic" for having an opinion? The underlying humor in the original article comes half way through with the phrase "...we are basically teaching our children not to judge people, as long as they are exactly like us." and then later on the wonderful lines "I would like to tell you that there is a term for people like you. It's called homophobic". That sounds a lot like judging someone that does not believe the same thing as the writer.

As for being unfair and unjust, the law is never fair for the person that is opposed to it. Right now I am all for the law that says I will lose my license for impaired driving, but if I had to spend a year without a license because I made a bad choice, I would probably feel that it is very unfair. And seeing that unjust, implies that it is against justice, and justice is used as a generic term for "law", then seeing as the MP's opinions support the current law, it is very just.

Sincerely,
John Bowhay



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Cattle association working hard at getting borders open

Dear editor,

The Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE, or "mad cow disease") crisis is now into its ninth week. The investigation completed by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency was thorough and comprehensive. All cattle that had contact with the one isolated cow were traced and tested with all results negative. Science has shown that Canadian beef is safe, yet export markets remain closed. Cattle producers are growing increasingly frustrated and some may question what their national cattle association is doing about the situation.

Since the announcement on May 20 of BSE in a single cow that was condemned and not processed into beef, the Canadian Cattlemen's Association (CCA) has devoted all resources toward this crisis. CCA's efforts on behalf of beef

producers have been focused on three main areas: 1) getting our export markets' borders open to imports of Canadian beef and cattle; 2) maintaining domestic confidence in and consumption of Canadian beef; and 3) securing a disaster relief compensation program. Meetings and conference calls with the highest levels of the Federal Government (both senior staff and elected officials) have taken place on a daily basis. These meetings have included key decision-makers in Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Health Canada, the Canadian Embassy, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, and the House and Senate Agriculture Committees. I, along with CCA Executive Vice President Dennis Laycraft and other top CCA elected officials have traveled to Ottawa, Vancouver, Edmonton and Wash-

ington for important face-to-face meetings. Representatives of the Canada Beef Export Federation have traveled to Mexico for discussions on re-opening that market. We have also been in constant contact with Federal Government representatives during their negotiations with Japan. In Washington we met with senior staff of the House and Senate Agriculture Committees, the Canadian Embassy and Australia and New Zealand cattle industry representatives. We also met with the official organizations representing U.S. cattle producers, meat

processors and renderers. A joint letter from CCA and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to the Federal Governments of both Canada and the U.S. resulted. The letter strongly urges that the steps needed to re-establish trade in cattle and beef while protecting public and animal health be rapidly determined based on science. It calls for communication with global trading partners, consumers and others to gain acceptance of these measures by the end of

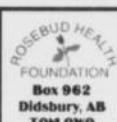
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FROM THE MAILBAG

Congregation believes marriage should remain as "One man, one woman"

Dear Editor,

As the Pastor Redeemer Lutheran Church, Didsbury, a member congregation of Lutheran Church-Canada, I would like to share our congregation's understanding of the institution of marriage.

We share the same concern with the members of our community that the institution of marriage is to be highly valued and that a strong institution of marriage is important to the well being of our community and our nation.

All through the history of our country our laws and our people have accepted that in the foundation of all things God created human beings male and female. Historically nearly all have been happy to believe and state that a marriage is a life

long union of one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others. The long-standing support of the current historic definition of marriage as stated in our nation's constitution is witnessed in the fact that only eighteen months ago our government clearly indicated it had no thought of redefining marriage. At that time it believed that the definition of marriage was not an issue with most Canadians. Our congregation supports this historic and long-standing definition of marriage as it was enshrined in our nation's constitution.

The divinely inspired Word of God informs our congregation's understanding of the institution of marriage. In the Bible God offers further insight with words about the conduct of a husband and a wife. There He makes it very clear what a male and female must do in the institution of Holy Marriage. The union of a man and a woman is raised to the level of holiness where the man is compared to Jesus Christ and the woman to the Holy Christian Church.

Our God clearly states that a man must love the woman he is married to and a woman must see to it that she deeply respects

her husband. When God speaks of love He is talking about a deep submission to one another that He himself demonstrated by His life, death and physical resurrection from the dead. This was completed for His bride out of divine love. It is expected that the Bride (the church) would also be willing to die for her Husband (Christ).

Looking at this it is well nigh impossible to think that our Lord has intended the institution of Holy Marriage to be anything but the life long union of one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others. God sincerely asks us not to copy the behaviour and customs of the world we live in but to keep on doing what He laid out as right and proper.

The members of our congregation believe that marriage is a life long union between one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others. This definition is based upon the orders of creation established by God Himself (Genesis 2:24-25).

This definition also corresponds to natural law and moral law witnessed in the fact that all major religions and cultures share a similar

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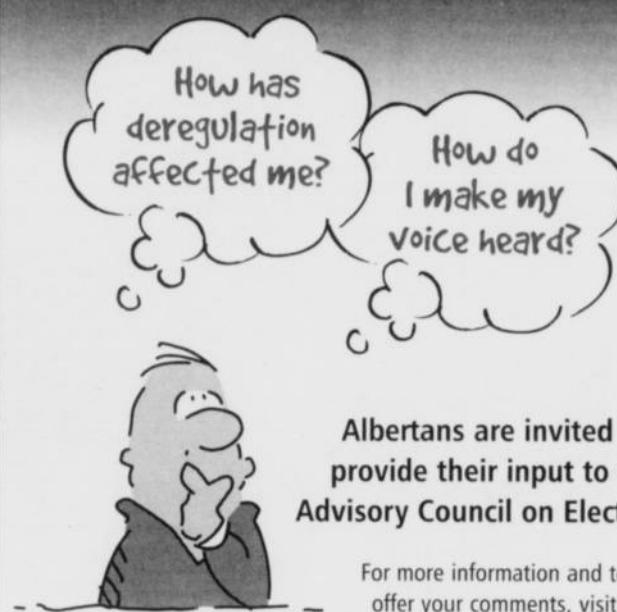
July at the latest. And it calls for an opening of the U.S. and Canadian border based on the most current risk assessment. Having the U.S. beef industry sign this letter was a major step as it shows U.S. politicians that their own industry is anxious for trade to resume.

On the domestic front, the Beef Information Centre, CCA's promotion and marketing division, has been equally busy. The retail and food service teams have been working directly with grocery store chains and restaurants to provide them with information and convince them to feature the cuts of beef that are in oversupply in Canada (chucks and hips). Ads were run coinciding with Canada Day to encourage Canadians to buy these other cuts. CCA and provincial cattle associations also sent out news releases thanking Canadians for their support and asking them to help even more by increasing purchases of beef from the wide variety of cuts available.

CCA's first priority remains re-opening our border to exports of Canadian beef and cattle. Only this will allow our industry to begin to recover from the disaster that has befallen it. The efforts of our elected officials and staff remain focused 100 percent on this effort.

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Insurance industry under review

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

The Alberta Government is in the process of reviewing the insurance industry in Alberta, which may result in lower premiums for Albertans of all ages who have a clean driving record.

According to local Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills MLA, Richard Marz, his government

has decided to do a review after hearing constant complaints from Albertans.

"As a government we have a responsibility to ensure Albertans have access to insurance that is fair, affordable, and accessible," Marz said.

The rumors going around the Province about the government moving back to a government run insurance system, is untrue.

"The government outright rejected the idea of a government run insurance system," said Alberta Finance spokesman, Jerry Bellikka. "We (as the government) will be conducting a review and we will try to find a solution that meets the needs of both the insurance companies and the drivers."

Insurance rates have raised

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Nigel Korner, of Calgary, who was recently driving through Didsbury drives a 1999 Z-24 Cavalier and pays \$3,500 per year for basic coverage with a clean driving record. He is looking forward to seeing the results of the government's review of the auto insurance industry.

photo by Shawne Mohl

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position regarding the definition of marriage and the family. In our multicultural society we must not overlook this reality. The historic definition of marriage as it was stated in our nation's constitution reaches beyond the Christian and religious community and is the broadest definition of marriage possible.

We are concerned that the proposed legislation redefining marriage will have a negative effect upon Canadians who choose to live in a marriage union between one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others.

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Neighborhood

Memorial Park development well underway

by Shawne Mohl
The Review

Didsbury's Memorial Park which is due to open next summer is well underway, with the ball diamonds starting to be constructed and numerous other exciting projects occurring at the new park location.

The park is located almost directly across from the Didsbury RCMP station on 12 acres of land - the type of land which is perfect for a park that the Town staff have so carefully planned.

The park will house four ball diamonds, a concert bowl, public washrooms, a 1.5 kilometer walking path, acres of green space, a skating pond, and a few other recreational essentials. Initially, the park was also suppose to include soccer pitches but when Chinook's Edge School Division stepped in and assisted the Town with building the pitches on school grounds it helped save the Town some money so they could maximize other areas of the park.

According to the Town's Director of Community Services, Rhonda Hunter, the biggest problem that this park will solve is the lack of ball diamonds for the community. Currently, within the Town there is only one ball diamond, which is forcing many Didsbury teams to travel to Olds or other nearby communities.

"The Town has always been short of ball diamonds, and the park will give us four much needed diamonds plus so much more," Hunter said.

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- Rhonda Hunter
 Town of Didsbury

Hunter and her department are the ones that spearheaded the idea of a park like the Memorial Park and after she introduced the idea to council and they approved she, and many other departments at the Town have been working steadily.

Once the park is constructed and everything is paid for the park will have cost a quarter of a million dollars (\$250,000). To date the Town has basically raised \$180,000 with the help of a

number of grants, including two from Mountain View County, as well as a generous \$15,000 donation from the local Thrift Store.

Hunter is encouraging all rural residents in the Didsbury recreational area to donate, because for every \$25 that is donated by a rural resident Mountain View County will match that and donate it to the Town to use towards the new park.

The Town will be sending out donation forms within the next months, for anyone that is wanting to donate to the parks construction.

"If people are interested in donating they will be able to identify something within the park specifically that they want to donate to," Hunter said.

The name of the Memorial Park was picked after a contest was held, and out of five names, the "Didsbury Memorial Park" name was selected.

Hunter says, "It kind of keeps with the theme of Didsbury."

As part of the "Memorial Theme" Hunter says there may be an area in the park dedicated to the veterans of Didsbury who fought in the wars, but plans such as these are tentative pending town councils approval.

To date, the concert bowl is ready to go and available for rent to anyone in the community wishing to use it. The sod has been laid, the stage is in place. The concert bowl has been ready since July 1 when the country music concert with Duane Steele and Adam Gregory was suppose to be outside, but due to weather conditions the concert was forced to be held in the Didsbury Memorial Arena.

Aside from the concert bowl, the baseball diamonds are starting to be put together, with the walking trails and washrooms to follow in the coming months.

Hunter says that Didsburians can expect to be playing ball, walking, enjoying summer concerts, or just enjoying the summer raise by next summer. The excitement is starting to show in the eyes of Hunter and other Town staff.

"It's quite exciting to see it actually start coming together after talking about it for so long," Hunter said.

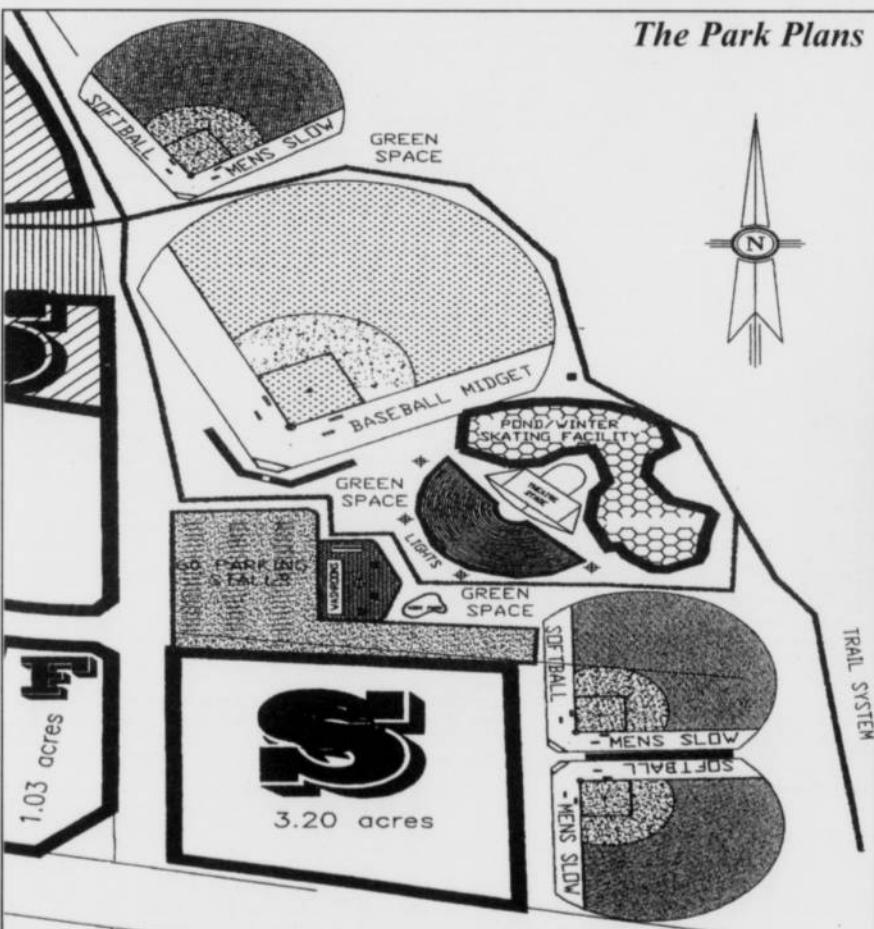
Hunter says that she is working on some grants that may available through the Province to cover the remaining shortfall that still has to be fundraised. For the time being though, the Town crews are out at the park site measuring, shoveling, and preparing the park for the use of Didsburians.

Hunter says that although these are what town administration would like to see happen, Town council always has final say.



photo by Shawne Mohl

Chris McKenna, the Town's Director of Operations and Rhonda Hunter, Director of Community Services took a rest on the new stage in the concert bowl last week while giving The Review a tour.



NEIGHBORHOOD



At The Kitchen Table

by
Noreen Olson

Last Thursday, July 10 2003, would have been my Mom's one hundred and first birthday. It's a blessing that Mom is no longer with us because she really, really did not want to be "old."

She passed away on September 13, 1995, at the age of 94 which is pretty old by most people's standards and there were days when she admitted that she needed a little help with some things, but she never gave in to being "old" the way most of her contemporaries were.

Until Mom's last days she was perfectly groomed. My sister Marj did her hair and it was thick, healthy and held a curl. Marj gave her a perm every few weeks and she was much less gray than I am. I was in charge of manicures and pedicures, she would meet me at the door carrying her clippers and file, and she was very fussy as to the shaping of her nails. There must not be even the most minuscule rough spot or she would find it and it would be a source of irritation.. When we came out of the church after Mom's funeral there was a pair of nail clippers on the sidewalk. I keep them in the car and they are the best and most precise clippers I have ever owned. I like to think Mom had something to do with their being there. Our youngest sister Donna, was the tweezier woman, Mom couldn't stand odd hairs on anybody, least of all herself.

There were a lot of things that Mom "couldn't stand." She couldn't stand anything sticky. Tables and counters had to be wiped at least three times and the cloth rinsed between wrappings. Even at that she was likely to find some tiny spot on the edge of a counter and draw it to your attention. There were days when it was all you could do not to whack her with the dishcloth. She hated profanity but I think she hated bad grammar worse. If one of our friends said "woulda went" or "I seen" or "she done it" we cringed waiting for Mom to correct them. She didn't make a habit of it, but she corrected strangers just often enough to make us nervous. She also "couldn't stand" nose blowing. She said that when she was a kid she thought every house should have a nose blowing room and when the need arose you went in there, alone, and closed the door.

Mom never wasted anything. She could mend and sew and patch so neatly that we rarely objected to wearing anything she had repaired. Her grandsons used to bring her their blue jeans because Grandma's mends were better. If there was left over pancake batter she added a few things and it became a cake or muffins. Every scrap from our big garden was canned, pickled or made into jam. Auntie Mina's coats and suits were taken apart, washed, turned and made into coats, jackets and pants for my sisters, brothers and I. She made tweed, snap brim caps for the boys that were so cute people offered to buy them. She made wonderful crazy quilts with all the pieces mitered precisely and colors that blend together like a painting. She "couldn't stand" colors that clashed. I have two of her latest quilts and I can't bear to use them and wear them out.

Mom loved to clean. She loved bleach and soap and lots and lots of water. Unlimited water was her idea of Heaven. Last week, on what just happened to be Mom's birthday, we were preparing to paint the deck. "It will have to be washed first" I told Ralph, "if you take down the dog house and the wood box I will help." I filled my pail with warm, soft water added a shot of Mr. Clean, took a broom and an old towel and set out to wash the deck but the siding under the porch overhang looked grimy so I started there instead. I had been happily sloshing and washing and rinsing and wiping for quite some time before my tears began to mingle with the Mr. Clean. This was the kind of job Mom loved most in the world and I could almost see her scrubbing and sloshing beside me.

I think I am turning into my Mother.

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by Noreen Olson

AROUND THE CIRCLE

Seniors off to tour the east country

by Marge St. Clair
for The Review

Wed. July 23

The fresh vegetables and fruit at the Farmers Market in the Curling Rink from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. are the best!

Fri. July 25

Cribbage play starts at 7:00 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall (Train Station). Come and play, enjoy coffee and goodies in a smoke free environment and the hall is wheelchair accessible.

Fri. July 25 - Sun. July 27

The annual Challenge Cup Slo Pitch Tournament for men will be held at Westward Ho Park. Our local team the Gunners will be participating and you can get more details by phoning coach Stan Laveck at 335-3655 (work) or home 335-3987.

The Didsbury Mixed Slo Pitch League will wind up the season on July 24 with games at 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Sat. July 26 & Sun. July 27

The Berghal Mennonite Church will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary this weekend. All former residents of the areas will be welcomed, please phone 337-2223 or 335-4440 for more details.

Tues. July 29

Dr. Nugent, foot specialist, will be at the 5-0 Centre from 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. No appointment necessary.

Thurs. Aug. 14

First news of the Seniors Bus Trip which will leave the 5-0 Centre at 9:30 a.m. to go to the Torrington Gopher Museum, St. Ann's Ranch, Dry Island Buffalo Jump, Arboretum - Trochu, Good & Plenty Restaurant - Carbon. Bring a bag lunch and please phone Gen 335-3449 or Bea 335-3058 to reserve your seat.

Good luck to all our seniors from the towns and area who are competing in the Seniors Summer Games in Fort MacMurray July 21 - 23. Report later.

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dramatically over the past five years, and this is being blamed on the stock market value declining annually. Prior to the increases, insurance companies were doing well on the stock market with the money that customers would pay them to be insured, which would balance out and still allow the insurance companies to make a profit.

"What has happened now is that these companies are no longer doing as well on the stock markets, and they are still needing to make a profit so they turn to the drivers," Bellikka added.

Bellikka says that as part of the review the government has and will be talking to all interested parties. "We have received input from both insurers and civil lawyers about a solution to rising auto insurance rates," said Nelson. "More importantly, we have received numerous letters, phone calls and e-mails from consumers across Alberta who feel the auto insurance system is not based on fairness and they want the government to do something about it."

A review of the insurance industry excited 18-year-old Calgarian, Nigel Korner, who was recently travelling through Didsbury.

Korner drives a 1999 Chevrolet Cavalier Z-24,

which he is currently paying \$3,500 per year for basic insurance. Should Korner ever hit someone and it be his fault, he would not receive compensation for his car, his insurance company would only pay for the other cars repairs. Korner believes that the insurance rates in Alberta need to be reviewed and lowered as soon as possible, as he feels it is unfair that he

has a clean driving record and is paying extremely high premiums.

"They (rates) are outrageous - just because a few people messed it up for the rest of us doesn't justify the rates being so high," Korner said.

Korner hopes that the government review of the system will pay off, but is thankful that it is at least being looked at. "I think it's good because it's time

they give drivers with clean driving records like me a break." Local insurance broker owner, Vance van Dam of Vanda Agencies here in Didsbury also agrees that it's time for a review of the system but is wondering where the money is going to come from to pay for all of the insurance claims that are made annually.

"The money has to come from somewhere,"

van Dam said. "So, if they lower rates for the younger drivers are they going to have to raise the rates for the older drivers?"

The government is hoping to cut costs for insurance companies by stiffening up the rules on soft tissue claims, such as whiplash.

The government is expected to submit a report sometime in September or October.

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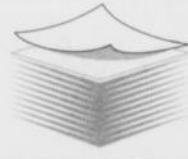
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Donation to Scouts

The Didsbury Scouts were fortunate to receive half of the proceeds from the Ward Value Drug Mart/Didsbury Liquor and Beer 4th Annual Golf Tournament held two weeks ago. Taking part in the presentation are (L-R) Bill and Margo Ward of Ward Value Drug Mart; Linda Rose of the Didsbury Scouts accepting the donation of \$1,347. Also, presenting the donation are Gary and Barb Gaudette of Didsbury Liquor and Beer.

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**Doing time...**

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The Didsbury Rural Crime Watch participated in the Beef and Barley Days parade held this past weekend in Carstairs. Above, two youngsters who were aboard the float were trying to find a route out of "jail."

Lone Pine anniversary, August 12

Come celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Lone Pine Bench Fair on August 12. If you have any old photos or any memorabilia that you would like to share, please bring them to the Lone Pine Hall Monday evening, August 11 and we would be happy to put them on display. All non-perishable items may also be brought to the hall Monday evening between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Perishable items may be brought to the hall between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. the morning of August 12. To celebrate our 20th anniversary we've added some prize specials. In the adult category there is a decorated cake and cut flower arrangement

with a 20th anniversary theme. For the juniors there is a poster contest designed to celebrate the 20th year. For all other classes and special classes please check the fair books which can be picked up at the offices of the Carstairs Courier, Didsbury Review and the Olds Albertan. There will be door prizes, jelly bean contest and face painting for the children. For viewing of all the items brought, come to the hall between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Your items may be picked up at 9:00 p.m. There will be coffee, pop and doughnuts available that evening.

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WHOA gaining strides

by Carla Victor
for The Review

News of an extension to the Stray Animals Act and the beginnings of a working group to discuss the future for ferrel horses is music to WHOA's ears.

Bob Henderson, president of WHOA (Wild Horses of Alberta), recently received a letter from MLA Mike Cardinal, Minister of Alberta Sustainable Resource Development, notifying him the Stray Animal Act, due to expire in December 2003, has been extended to June 30, 2008. The letter also extended an invitation to WHOA to be part of a working group which will conduct a review of the act itself.

The letter stated, "A working group, with representatives from Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Public Lands Division, Land and Forest Division and Livestock Investigation Services is being formed to conduct the review. A number of stakeholders will also be invited to provide input and your group (WHOA) will be included in that list."

"This is great to hear," said Henderson, giddy from the news. "This means they are hearing us and that is good!"

WHOA began their conservation society in 2002 after the gruesome discovery of two wild horse carcasses, that were slaughtered, cut in half and left to rot west of Sundre, near the Burnt Stick Lake.

That stomach-turning find spurred Henderson to start WHOA in an effort to protect this free roaming species he insists are wild horses.

WHOA's ultimate goal is to stop the inhumane treatment of wild horses by creating tougher provincial regulations to control the number of horses rounded up each year.

Henderson said 90 per cent of wild horses captured every year end up in slaughterhouses, the other 10 per cent are commonly used as stock on farms and ranches.

Under the Stray Animals Act, which was amended in 1993 to protect and provide humane treatment of horses captured on designated provincial public land, there are no limits on the number of horses allowed in one apture.

For every three stallions cap-

tured there can only be one mare. Captures are allowed in permitted areas between November and February.

Dave Ealey, communications representative for Alberta Sustainable Resource Development, said the working group is in the form of an ad hoc committee and is a direct answer to the concerns raised by WHOA and the general public.

"We have had concerns from the public about the horse capture regulations and we are hoping to address those with this committee."

He said the time frame to do this has been changed now the act has been extended to 2008.

"We want to find a balance for people who want the horse capture to continue and those who are concerned with protection," said Ealey.

Henderson said WHOA isn't about stopping captures, they know the numbers of free roaming horses must be controlled, but they also believe there needs to be more accountability by those permitted to capture and stronger policing by the provincial government.

Henderson said although the current act does not offer enough protection, it does offer some and he is excited to be involved in the review of it.

"Things are happening, although very slow, and this is the best news we have gotten so far," said Henderson.

Fund-raising and letter writing efforts are going well, said Henderson, adding membership is at an all-time high and growing.

Calgary Regional Trail Riders Association Treasurer, Gwen Popowich, said WHOA has been chosen as one of the charities that will receive a donation from the equestrian group.

They expect to present \$1,817 to WHOA at their September meeting when Henderson visits to make an educational presentation about the plight of Alberta's free roaming horses.

"We decided WHOA was a very good cause, said Popowich. "We all love horses and after a couple of our riders, who love watching wild horses, told the group about WHOA we knew it was the right thing to do. Anything that is going to help those horses is going to be beneficial to us as well."

Henderson encourages everyone concerned about the future of free roaming horses to continue their letter writing to Alberta Sustainable Resource Development (420 Legislature Building, Edmonton TK5-2B6) and talking to their MLA about the issue.

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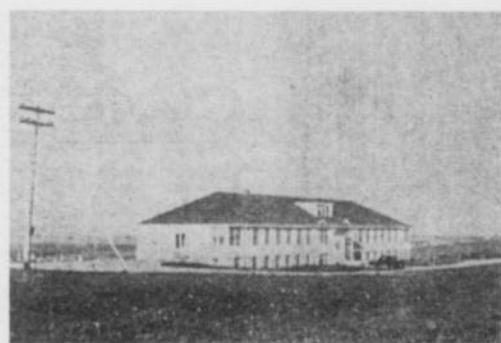
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Lone Pine holds 20th Anniversary Bench Fair

Remember the allure of a small town bench fair? The tables of freshly canned preserves, proudly displayed garden flowers, homegrown vegetables, meticulously crafted needlepoint and embroidery pieces, patiently chiseled woodwork and, of course, wheat sheath samples.

For those living in and around the Lone Pine district, those days are back. On Tuesday, August 12th, the Lone Pine Agricultural Society will be celebrating their 20th Anniversary Bench Fair.

Plans for the hallmark event have already begun with the printing of the Anniversary Edition Program and Prize List booklet - your map to virtually every category at the Bench Fair along with a few surprises.

"This year, especially for the 20th Anniversary, we have added several new categories," explains long-time Ag Society Member, Esther Goerzen. "...there's sections for a specially-decorated anniversary cake, special cut flower arrangements, potted plants, tomatoes, vegetables, and many, many more."

Categories for the younger set haven't been forgotten either. "For the Juniors (ages 6 - 8 years) there's going to be a poster contest, jellybean contest, prizes and facepainting...just a lot of fun things to do for all ages, really."

Along with a wide array of regularly featured prize categories, this year's Anniversary Bench Fair will include items of historical interest - especially to those

who have resided in the area for a number of years.

"For this reason we are asking that anyone with old photos or memorabilia to drop them off at the Hall Monday night," Goerzen says.

All other items for the Bench Fair can be brought to the Lone Pine Hall either Monday evening (August 11th) or Tuesday morning (August 12th) from 8:00 am - 10:00 am.

"Tuesday morning is primarily for the perishables. Judging will be taking place then as well."

For more information about the Lone Pine Agricultural Society's 20th Anniversary Bench Fair, please call 335-2852 or 335-4190.

Bench Fair booklets can be picked up at either the Carstairs Courier, Didsbury Review or Olds Albertan.



Esther Goerzen, Lone Pine Ag Society Member

Bergthal Mennonite Church celebrates a century of service

It's the year for century celebrations; and why not?

Not only did the Didsbury Review pass the 100th anniversary mark, and the Town of Carstairs, but now the Bergthal Mennonite Church.

This coming Saturday, July 26th, visitors and area residents will gather in and around the Church grounds to help commemorate this important date and reacquaint themselves with members of

the Church both past and present.

Herman and Irene Epp have been members of the Church nearly their entire life and are among the many people helping to pull the event together.

Given the rich history of the Church in the community, Irene expects upwards of 400 people to attend the event.

"That's the number we'll be cooking for at the Barbecue Saturday evening," she says.

Epp added that Saturday's

activities will provide an excellent opportunity to "catch up" with members they may not have seen for many years.

"The barbecue is the first activity to start the weekend off, really, it starts at 5:00 pm and includes musical entertainment." Saturday night's festivities will be followed by a special 100th Anniversary Service Sunday morning at 10:30 am. "We have always enjoyed quite a bit of singing at our Church and so

we will be holding a special choir practice Saturday afternoon in preparation for Sunday's service," Herman Epp explains. "...In addition, at least five of the ministers from the past will be speaking at the Sunday service.

They will be accompanying our current Pastor Elwin Garland who came to us about a year ago now." Immediately following the Sunday service will be an Anniversary Lunch, time for fellowship and special unveiling of commemorative

Cairn at the nearby cemetery. Those interested in attending the celebration and traveling from outside the district are welcome to camp at the Church site.

"Accommodations for camping have been made for anyone wishing to bring along their trailer or RV and attend the event," says Epp.

Anyone wishing further information can contact either Herman or Irene Epp at 335-3894.

Carstairs Rodeo captivates young and old alike

The dust may have settled, but the memories will live on (at least until next year) after the Rodeo and Exhibition that took place in Carstairs this past weekend.

President of the Rodeo Committee, Debbie Vervonac, says the CAARA (Central Alberta Amateur Rodeo Association) event offers a perfect opportunity for enthusiasts who want to try their hand at the sport in a lighter competition style than that of the professionals. "We're a

grade below the FAC Rodeos, but we still attract a really good quality of competition and enjoy quite a strong following," says Vervonac. Approximately 100 participants between the ages of 3 - 16 years turned out over the course of the weekend to take in events such as: saddlebronc, bareback, cow roping, bull riding, steer riding, breakaway roping, calf roping, team roping, Junior barrels, Ladies barrels and wild cow milking (just for fun).



Debbie Vervonac

Though a huge undertaking to organize and coordinate, Vervonac says the event is really a labor of love for both she and her husband Kerry. "We used to hold these all the time, but then somewhere along the line the idea to host a rodeo in Carstairs kind of lost its steam. Kerry was actually one of the founding members that helped bring this event back six or seven years ago..." Vervonac explains. "The very first rodeo in town took place back in 1923 and was the biggest FCA rodeo in Alberta at the time."

With the 100th Anniversary celebration for the community of Carstairs just around the corner, Vervonac decided to pay tribute to some of the rich history behind the rodeo by including a few historical facts in the program this year.

"I think it will be interesting to look back at some of the history behind rodeo in this community. We look forward to making this an annual event and continuing the tradition that started so many years ago."



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Focus on the Family



QUESTION: I have heard you say that we have shamefully mismanaged the present generation of children. Explain what you meant by that.

DR. DOBSON: I was referring to the many harmful influences that previous generations didn't have to confront -- at least not to the degree that we see today. That includes safe-sex ideology, violence and sexual imagery in movies, rock music and television; it refers to gang activity and drug abuse, and many other dangerous aspects of our culture.

I was also speaking about the extreme emphasis on physical attractiveness and body consciousness in Western nations that is having a terrible impact on children. It can even be life threatening to them.

A study done at the University of California has shown that 80 percent of girls in the fourth grade have attempted to diet because they see themselves as fat.

One elementary school girl justified her dieting by saying she just wanted to be skinny so that no one would tease her. How sad it is that children in this culture have been taught to hate their bodies -- to measure their worth by comparison to a standard that they can never achieve.

At a time when they should be busy being kids, they're worried about how much they weigh, how they look and how they're seen by others. For young girls, this insistence on being thin is magnified by the cruelties of childhood.

Dozens of studies now show that overweight children are held in low regard by their peers, even at an early age. According to one investigation, silhouettes of obese children were described by 6-year-olds as "lazy," "stupid" and "ugly."

This overemphasis on beauty does not occur in a vacuum, of course. Our children mirror our prejudices and our system of values. We, too, measure human worth largely on a scale of physical attractiveness. It's bad enough when adults evaluate each other that way. It's tragic when millions of children have already concluded that they're hopelessly flawed, even before life has gotten started.

We must take the blame for the many pressures on today's kids. Fifty years ago, parents and other adults acted in concert to protect kids -- from pornography, sexual abuse, harmful ideas and dangerous substances. Millions of husbands and wives stayed together "for the benefit of the children."

It was understood that tender minds and bodies needed to be shielded from that which could hurt them. But now, child abuse, date rape and sexually transmitted disease are rampant.

As the family has unraveled, and as adults have become more self-centered and preoccupied, children are often left to fend for themselves in a very dangerous world. It may be our greatest failing as a people.

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QUESTION: I've read that it is possible to teach 4-year-old children to read. Should I be working on this with my child?

ANSWER: If a youngster is particularly sharp and if he or she can learn to read without feeling undue adult pressure, it would be advantageous to teach this skill. But that's a much bigger "if" than most people realize.

There are some parents who find it difficult to work with their children without showing frustration over immaturity and lack of interest.

Furthermore, new skills should be taught at the age when they are most needed. Why invest unnecessary effort trying to teach a child to read when he has not yet learned to cross the street, tie his shoes, count to 10 or answer the telephone? It seems foolish to get panicky over preschool reading.

The best policy is to provide your children with interesting books and materials, read to them every day and answer their questions. You can then introduce them to phonics and watch the lights go on. It's fun if you don't push too hard.

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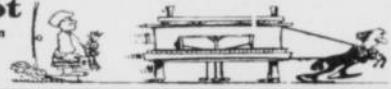
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A number of parents around the community had a much needed break from their children as they attended the Lutheran Church's Vacation Bible School. Over 100 local children took in the games, face painting, and other fun activities. Above, one of the volunteers works with a group of children teaching them how to make a craft.

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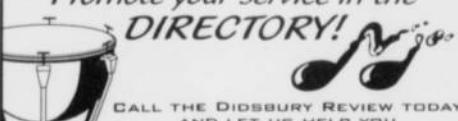
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John Manley: "Yes, that's my final answer."

Host: "Sorry John, that sound means you gave the wrong answer, thanks for playing, good luck in Toronto this November. Who is our next contestant?"

Studio voice: "Well it's none other A. Cdn. Taxpayer."

Host: "Welcome to the show, tell me a bit about yourself."

A.C. Taxpayer: "Well, I work hard to give almost half my income to three levels of government in Canada and I'm pretty frustrated as I continue to see literally billions of dollars wasted while core public services suffer."

And boy do I wish I would have had that last question you gave to John Manley, eh. I would have aced it and won the grand prize of a more responsive and focused federal government, not only for myself but for my fellow Canadians."

Host: "Well we only have a few minutes left in the show anyways, so we'll start a new game next time. I'm curious, tell me where you would trim the federal budget."

A. C. Taxpayer: "To start, I'd tell Canadians that the government can't do everything and at the end of the day it's about setting priorities. Then I'd launch a core service review similar to the program review of the mid-1990s - but this time with better and enduring results."

"This means that some programs will get axed while others may receive more money ... but the overall goal would be to reduce the size of the federal government in the

national economy. When total government activity accounts for almost 45% of our GDP, we have a problem and the federal government must show some leadership here. Even Keynes whose prime the pump schemes in economic downturns that resulted in epidemic annual deficits which in turn created huge national debts postulated in his early writings that total government activity should only be between 25% and 35% of GDP."

"Failed regional development and industrial subsidy schemes to the tune of \$4 billion annually would be the first to go. Not far behind, there would be comprehensive overhaul of Canadian Heritage and its granting activities. As well, in a 500-channel universe a clear choice has to be made. Either the state is in the broadcasting business or not, but not this quasi-commercial CBC venture that now exists. My preference would be to get out of this ... it is not a core government activity. These two measures would save \$1.5 billion."

"Further regulatory streamlining and opening of a variety of protected markets to competition would also result in savings. A review of the crown assets portfolio with an eye to selling some to either be reinvested in health technology and/or reduce the national debt would also occur. Finally, I'd be honest and look at how we can sustain our social programs in the long run by casting a critical eye at entitlement benefits and reforming them so those most in need receive help. To avoid this exercise is truly selfish."

Host: "These seem like common sense suggestions, why haven't they been tried before?"

A. C. Taxpayer: "Good question. Mostly due to lack of political will and to forging a national consensus that bold, new fiscal choices are needed."

You see, it's far easier and much more politically expedient to simply replicate the mistakes of the past and once again pass on the costs to future generations than to try something new."

NEIGHBORHOOD

SFI dependents will receive more money

About 12,000 families receiving Supports for Independence (SFI) benefits will have more money for their children due to Alberta's decision not to offset a federal increase under the National Child Benefit (NCB) program. This is the second phase of a two-stage increase for families with children included in Budget 2003.

Alberta is striking the right balance between helping families meet basic needs and providing supports to help parents find and keep jobs," said Alberta Human Resources and Employment Minister Clint Dunford. "Albertans will continue to be better off work-

ing. As a direct result of our previous NCB reinvestments, we have good programs in place that encourage parents to work rather than rely on social assistance. This year the best way to help families is to have the federal NCB Supplement increase flow directly to parents."

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Approximately \$14 per month, per child from the federal NCB Supplement increase effective July, 2003. Families will receive their federal payment around July 18.

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cial SFI increase came into effect June 1, and families began receiving the increase on their June payment.

Under the NCB, provinces and territories may reduce social assistance benefits by the amount of the federal NCB Supplement increase and reinvest the savings into programs that reduce the depth of child poverty and help parents support their families through employment. Alberta has taken this approach in previous years. Through programs such as the Alberta Child Health Benefit, Alberta's NCB reinvestments will continue to help low-income families. More than 69,000

children receive premium-free health benefits through the Alberta Child Health Benefit.

In 2003/04 about \$4 million federal dollars will flow directly to families receiving SFI benefits as a result of the decision not to offset the federal NCB Supplement increase. The increase has always flowed through to families receiving Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) benefits and will continue to do so. AISH families with children also have access to about \$186 per month, per child through Canada Pension Plan Disability (CPP-D) benefits.



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Sports

Didsbury swimmer competes at Pan Am/Worlds

Local Didsburian, Jillian Tyler, a former Didsbury Aqua Jets swimmer, competed at the Pan Am/Worlds Swim Meet held in Victoria at the end of June. Tyler qualified for the competition by achieving Senior National Standards at previous swim meet competitions. Tyler's first Senior National time came in Lethbridge last summer and she has since added more Senior Standards to her repertoire.

Tyler presently trains and competes out of Calgary with the Cascade Club.

This high calibre meet attracts clubs from all over Canada. Swimmers vying at this meet for a spot on the Pan Am/Worlds circuit are usually swimmers who fill spots on the Canadian Olympic Team. The team journeying to the Pan Am / Worlds Swim Meet this year is composed mainly of Canadian Olympians with only a few new names added to the team roster.

Although Tyler clocked best times in four of the five events she competed in, she did not qualify to fill a possible two spots in her chosen events for meets in Barcelona and the Dominican Republic. Many of the spots for all the different events were filled at previous meets throughout the year, so unless you bettered the time of someone who was already selected to go, it was difficult to make the team. However, Tyler qualified to represent Alberta at the British Youth Championships to be held in Sheffield,



England this summer. She was selected to the team based on her swimming performances. Tyler along with one other 14 year old from Edmonton will join five other 15 year olds from Edmonton and Calgary to compete at this National Meet.

Tyler will be competing at a host of meets this summer. She has "A" Long Course Provincials quickly approaching. Tyler was selected to a Swim Alberta team to compete against a touring "select" Korean team of swimmers. Following this will be the Club Championships and then the finale of the British Youth Championships.

There were only a very small handful of young swimmers Tyler's age at the Pan Am/World's Meet. The majority of the swimmers are in their twenties. For many swimmers, they may be thinking retirement after the Olympics. As for Tyler, she has her focus set on the future... her goals are long term, not short term.

The meet was just what Tyler's coach had planned for her, an "experience". Tyler adds, "The meet was a competitive experience for me. It is a little intimidating to look at the swimmer in the lane beside you and realize a few years ago, I was the young kid waiting in line to get these swimmer's autographs. When I'm in the water though, it's all business and I really don't care who they are. They're my competition and my job is to make them 'eat my bubbles'."

Members of the Didsbury Aqua Jets



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Check back next week for even more photo's of these hardworking swimmers

Blake Denischuk signs with Calgary Outlaws

by Barry Williams
for The Review

Carstairs minor baseball product, Blake Denischuk, has signed a contract with the Calgary Outlaws of the Canadian Professional Baseball League.

Denischuk inked the contract with Outlaws' Manager Jody Davis on Wednesday, July 16, 2003 and was inserted into the line-up for the weekend action against the Victoria Capitals.

"I have had the opportunity of watching Blake play minor baseball in Calgary and I am convinced he will make an impression with the Outlaws," said Outlaws' General Manager Glenn Dmetrichuk. And Dmetrichuk was right as Denischuk had a pair of hits and stole a base in his first professional baseball game.

Baseball has always been a way of life for Denischuk ever since he took his first swing of the bat while playing minor baseball in Carstairs. He was a member of the Carstairs Pee Wee AAA Canons and helped them win a Baseball Alberta Pee Wee AAA championship in 1994, the same year the Canons participated in the Western Canadian Pee Wee AAA Baseball Championships held in Carstairs.

In an effort to improve upon his skills, Denischuk decided to play Little League and Babe Ruth baseball in Calgary where he was a member of two City championships. It's a decision he has never forgotten as he had the opportunity of being scouted by several NCAA teams. He eventually signed a baseball scholarship with Hutchinson Community College in Kansas, where he was

named an all-conference in his sophomore year. For the past two years, Denischuk has been playing for the NCAA Division Arkansas State Indians. In the 2003 season, Denischuk led Arkansas State with a dozen home runs and eight stolen bases while having a respectable .277 batting average. Besides contributing offensively, Denischuk was a versatile player playing in both the infield and outfield. He was also durable as he was the only player to appear in all 55 games for the Indians.

The Outlaws are very fortunate to sign a high calibre player like Blake," noted Dmetrichuk, noting he was signed at the conclusion of the Indians' season.

Since Denischuk played minor ball in Calgary baseball fans will be familiar with the left-handed slugger despite not wearing a Calgary uniform for the past four seasons. Denischuk will join a handful of Alberta players currently playing for the Outlaws.

With the Canadian Baseball League's commitment to develop Canadian players, Denischuk stepped into an ideal situation of having the opportunity of playing professional baseball at home and in front of family and friends, something he was looking forward to.

But, with the CBL suspending operations after the league's all-star game held in Calgary

on Wednesday, July 23, Denischuk's first crack at a professional baseball career lasted just over a week.

A press release from the CBL office indicated the CBL was curtailing league action in an effort to restructure it and move it forward for next year. This was the CBL's inaugural season and from every indication the league's decision on suspending play was a surprise to players and the fans.

Denischuk indicated the Outlaws are trying to move the majority of players to other professional teams competing in independent leagues.

"Right now the future of the Outlaws is out of our hands, it's entirely up to the league," he said. The teams were able to

play thirty-seven games a piece before disbanding and according to Dmetrichuk, the Outlaws were well received in Calgary averaging just over 1,000 fans per game. And with several Albertans on the team, there was a genuine interest in its success by both the players and fans.

"The Canadian players like the concept of the league because it gives them the opportunity of playing professional baseball in Canada," said

Dmetrichuk

"I just hope the league can solve whatever problems they have," he added. "All the players have to be commended, they wanted the league to succeed," he concluded.

When the CBL was formed, league officials called for the commencement of play in the 2002 season. However, due to franchise problems, the league postponed last season's play and moved towards play in the 2003 season.



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OBITUARIES

Evelyn Isobel Clarke April 25, 1933 - July 11, 2003 - Evelyn Isobel Clarke (nee Elliott), beloved daughter and mother entered into rest on July 11, 2003 at the Didsbury Hospital after a short illness. She was born on April 25, 1933 in Didsbury, Alberta to Samuel and Irene Elliott. In her young years she worked for various people around the area. She met George Clarke in 1949 at her older sister's house where he was working. They were engaged in December of 1949 and married on June 16, 1950. They lived in many places before they settled on the farm at Lone Pine working with Evelyn's parents. In 1988 they retired from the farm and bought a house in Didsbury. Evelyn was a lifetime member of the United Church and sang in the church choir. She also sang in the 5-0 choir. She served on the Lone Pine Hall Board and the Lone Pine Old Timers Club. She belonged to the Lone Pine and the North Lone Pine Women's Institute for many years and was also involved with the Lone Pine Orioles Girl's Club even when her granddaughters were in it. Evelyn volunteers many hours to the Chinook Winds Lodge when her mother resided there and continued up until she became ill. When her mom moved to Unit 4 in the Didsbury Hospital she did many hours of baking for the residents as well as for the staff there. Evelyn leaves to mourn her passing her beloved mother, Irene Elliott, seven children, Carol Clarke, Didsbury, Cheryl Clarke, Bowden, Linda (Mike) O'Dell, Didsbury, Donna (Cam) Gillrie, Innisfail, Robert (Arlone) Clarke, Breton, Karen (Ray) Mikko, Didsbury, Janice (Irwin) Mahon, Didsbury, 18 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren, 4 sisters and 1 brother, many sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband George, her father, father and mother-in-law, 1 sister, 1 son-in-law, 3 brothers-in-law, 1 granddaughter, 2 nieces and 1 nephew. Memorial services were held July 15, 2003 from the Knox United Church with Reverend Nancy Nourse officiating, Interment Didsbury Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made to the Knox United Church or the Cancer Society. Personal Alternatives entrusted with the arrangements.

Jacobsen, Duane -Duane Jacobsen of Didsbury passed away July 11, 2003 at the age of 65. Duane was born September 8, 1937 in Didsbury, AB. In his younger years you could find Duane at the race track doing his favorite pastime, racing his modified stock car, number 9. He then moved to Vernon, B.C. where he raised his family. His later years brought him back to Didsbury to continue farming for a number of years before retiring. He will be lovingly remembered and greatly missed by his children Don & Yevonne (Ken); grandchildren Ashley & Desiree. He was predeceased by his mother Violet on June 20, 2003 and his father Linden on October 12, 1995. A Funeral Service was held on Wednesday July 16, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Mohn's presiding. If friends so desire, Memorial tributes may be made in Duane's memory to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Olds Funeral Home & Crematorium.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Wygiera-Hannah and Aidan are proud to announce the birth of their baby sister, Karis Louise, born at Lethbridge Regional Hospital on Monday, July 14, 2003 at 10:42 a.m. She was 7 lbs, 2 oz and 19 1/2" long. Equally proud are the parents Joanne and Noel of Fort Macleod, along with grandparents Judy Kaupp of Didsbury, and Bev and Les Wygiera of Seven Persons.

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It was a great day on Sat. the 12th as we celebrated our 50th Anniversary. Thanks for all the cards, gifts and all your good wishes. Thanks for coming and making our day so special.

Elvern & Joyce Swalm

We would like to thank Dr. Puts and the nurses at the Didsbury Hospital who took such good care of Mom while she was in the hospital. The EMS crew who took her to the hospital in Didsbury and Calgary. Everyone who sent flowers, cards and letters to her and everyone who sent flowers, cards and food to all of us.

Evelyn Clarke's Family

Thank you to our family and all who came to help us celebrate our 60th Wedding Anniversary. For all of the beautiful cards and good wishes. To Jackson W.I. ladies who catered to the tea. To the decorators and to Dojet who made & decorated the cake. God has been so good to us! It was a very memorable day - thanks to you all.

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DIDSBURY

Clubs

5 day Clubs and Soccer Clubs sponsored by ZEMC (Zion Evangelical Missionary Church) and Child Evangelism Fellowship. Dates are August 18 - 22. 335-3629 for details.

Bus Trip

Bring A Friend... Thursday, August 14/03. We're going to: Torrington Gopher Museum, St. Ann's Ranch, Dry Island Buffalo Jump, Arboretum at Trochu, Good and Plenty Restaurant - Carbon. Bring a bag lunch. Cost \$20.00 includes all admissions & supper. Bus leaves 5-0 Club at 9:30 a.m. Please call Bea 335-3058 or Gen 335-3449.

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

CARSTAIRS TOPS

Take off Pounds Sensibly at the Church of God on Monday nights 7 - 8 p.m. For further information call Jean 637-3753, Shelly 337-3082 or Kim 946-4997.

DIDSBURY

COMMUNITY CRISIS SOCIETY

Are you experiencing family violence? Please call the Crisis Shelter at 1-877-934-6634.

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New Winter hours: Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions, & anytime by appointment. Please call Marg Weaver at 335-4245, Dale Weiss at 335-4726 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

SPECIAL FAMILIES RESOURCE ASSOCIATION

Support for families/caregivers of special needs children. No meetings in July otherwise meetings held 1st and 3rd Thurs. of every month in the Didsbury Hospital in the Educational Conference Room at 7 p.m. For more information contact Cindy at 335-4123.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Didsbury Chamber of Commerce breaks for the summer. Meetings will resume in September. For more info please call 335-3265.

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Rosemary 335-2835.

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every month at the Town Office. For info call Deborah at 335-8304.

HALL WALKING

Adult Hall walking at Westglen from 6:45 a.m. Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

DIDSBURY

Bus Trip

Friday, August 29 going to Cash Casino, Calgary. Cost \$10.00. Bus leaves 5-0 Club at 10:00 a.m. Please call Gen 335-3449 or Bea 335-3058.

Anniversary

Bergthal Mennonite Church will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary July 26 & 27. For more information please call 335-4440 or 337-2223.

Vacation Bible School

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church will be holding its annual Vacation Bible School from Monday August 11 to Friday August 15th at the church hall, 2037 24 Ave. Children of all ages are welcome to this program which runs from 9 a.m. to noon. To register call 335-9123 or just come on the Monday and register on the spot.

ONGOING EVENTS

DIDSBURY

TOY LIBRARY

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury Toy Library: Open Tuesdays 10-11:30 a.m. at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Wendy at 335-3877 or Rick at 335-9525.

TIME OUT

Child & Youth Clubs of Didsbury's Mom's Time Out and Dads Too program. At Anglican Church Hall, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-8183 or 335-9903 for more information.

KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

CASH BINGO

Didsbury Elks Cash Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open 6:00 p.m., Nickel Bingo at 6:45. Regular Bingo at 7:30 p.m. Didsbury Elks Hall.

DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

We are now accepting registrations into a educational and social program for children 3 to 5 years old. The new 2 1/2 hour classes will operate Tues./Thurs. mornings starting Tues. Feb. 25/03. For more info or register your child please call Cherrie 335-8818 or 335-8039.

DIDSBURY-DIAL-A-BUS

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CARSTAIRS

Vacation Bible School

Carstairs Bancroft United Church is presenting "The Story of David" for its Vacation Bible School this year. It will run August 5 - 8, 2003 from 1-4 p.m. Come join us for the week. Everyone is welcome! To register, call Ruth Roedler at 337-2483.

CREMONA

Group

The Cremona Parent & Tots Group is going strong and we would like you to join us! We meet every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Cremona Congregational Church Basement. For more info contact Doreen at 637-0182.

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DRUMHELLER SUPPORT GROUP

The Compassionate Friends is a self help supportive group offering friendship and understanding to parents who have experienced the death of a child. Meetings are held the last Thurs. of each month (except Dec.) at 7:30 p.m. in Conference Room #3 of the Drumheller Hospital. For more info call Shirley 823-3001 or Linda 823-4565.

CHARITY

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Ladies - Penny Clazie
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 Men - Scott Sinclair
 Ladies - Muriel Hoeft
Hole #5 - Long Putt
 Men - Al Armour
 Ladies - Diane Larsen
Hole #6 - Closest to hole
 Men - Jim Wadel

Ladies - Wanda Braybook
Hole #7 - Closest to hole
 Men - Jim Tainsh
 Ladies - Rhonda Hunter
Hole #8 - K.P.
 Men - Bill Ward
 Ladies - Carolyn Tainsh
Hole #9 Long Putt
 Men - Pete Donahoe

Ladies - Leona Doiron
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